2. LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT BILLS

(i) The Cochin Sales Tax Bill

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government)*: I beg to move that the Cochin Sales Tax Bill be taken up and finally passed.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General)*: I second it.

Motion put and carried.

(ii) The Cochin Verumpattamdars' Act (Amendment) Bill

Rao Sahib A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar)*: I beg to move that the Cochin Verumpattamdars' Act (Amendment) Bill be taken up and finally passed.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General)*: I second it.

Motion put and carried

3. NON—OFFICIAL BILLS

(i) The Cochin Verumpattamdars' Act (Amendment) Bill

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur—Tattamangalam)*: I move that the Cochin Verumpattamdars' Act (Amendment) Bill be taken up for consideration.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: Mr. President, Under Standing Order 26, I move that the Council do pass on to he next item in order in the Agenda.

Mr. K. T. Achyutan *(Ezhuvas-Mukundapuram)*: I second it.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: Mr. President, this is a Bill which has reached a certain stage where amendment have been tabled by the Advocate-General and also by Hon'ble Mr. T. S. Narayana Iyer. It has been passed over even by the mover on more occasions than one. This time the Hon'ble Mover has moved it. I submit, Sir, that this is a Bill the final result of which can well be known by the attitude of the various parties in the Council. It is one which will be thrown out finally and any discussion on this bill is not going to bear any fruit. The Agenda here contains very many other items following this and therefore all things considered, it is not desirable that this Bill is now taken into consideration and gone through in all its defails. When the final stage of putting each clause to vote comes, the result will be that the Bill will be lost. It is because I have ascertained the views of the various groups of House that the final result of the voting will be 31 against the bill that I move this motion to pass over. It is to save time of the House and to utilise it for more profitable discussion on other matters that I have tabled this motion. So under Standing Order No. 26 I move that the House do now pass on to the next item in Agenda,

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General)*: Sir, I oppose the Motion and ths time taken up for this motion could have been better used for the discussion of the provisions of this Bill. One cannot foretell what will be the fate of this Bill when put to vote. The Hon'ble Member for Vadakkancheri thinks that the result of this bill will be that it will be thrown out, but should we not see whether it is realised. I think that an opportunity should be given to discuss the provisions of this bill to see whether the realisation of the Hon'ble Member for Vadakkanchery is correct or not. I therefore, request the House not to stifle the discussion, but the House may exercise its vote at the proper time.

Motion put and lost

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: A poll, Sir.

Ayes

1. Mrs. K. M. R. Menon
2. Mr. P. K. Dewer,
3. K. I. Velayudhan
4. ,, K. T. Achuthan
5. ,, K. S. Panicker
6. ,, C. R. Iyyunni
7. ,, M. K. Raja
8. ,, P. K. Paul
9. ,, V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan
10. ,, Choudhury G. S. Dhara Singh
11. Mr. C. S. Panicker
12. P. Mani
13. P. T. Jacob
14. ,, L. M. Pylee
15. ,, K. R. Ramakrishnan
16. ,, M. K. Varghese
17. ,, Parmel Ipe Ipe
18. ,, P. Narayana Menon
19. ,, P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan
20. ,, K. K. Kumaran
21. ,, P. Sankara Menon

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